SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS:

Please amend the abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT

~~In a system for measuring substances in a liquid including a test strip and a measuring device for measuring the test field of the test strip when the test strip is inserted into the device, the test strip and the measuring device are so cooperatively constructed and/or shaped that the test strip, after insertion into the device, is held in a definite position at which the test field of the test strip is precisely positioned at a measuring station of the measuring device. The cooperating positioning parts on the test strip and on the measuring device include spring biased detent levers and clamping bars on the device with detent projections for reception in detent recesses of the test strip. Abutments carried by the device and engagable width step surfaces on the test card limit movement of the test strip in one or the other direction longitudinally of itself, and spring means urge the test strip step surfaces against the abutments. The spring means may be elastically deformably portions of the test strip. Means bend the test strip so that its restoring force holds it firmly against a support surface at the test station.~~

The present invention provides a test field system, including a test strip with a test field, and a measuring device having a test strip receiver for measuring the test field. The test strip receiver including a support surface for the test strip and positioners for holding the test strip inserted in the strip receiver so that a section of the test strip containing the test field is held in a definite position relative to the support surface. The strip receiver having two holding members spaced from one another on edge areas of the support surface for holding fast associated edges of the test strip substantially adjacent the support surface, the support surface in a middle area between the holding means is vertically displaced from the edge areas such that the test field of a test strip inserted in the test strip receiver is spaced apart from the support surface.